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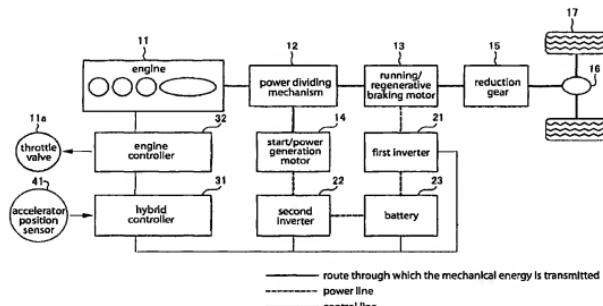
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(57) **Abstract:** An engine start control device for a hybrid vehicle equipped with an electric motor (13) and an engine (11) with an induction system, including a hybrid controller (31) that performs an engine start determination to determine whether the engine (11) should be started while the electric motor (13) is running; an acceleration position sensor (41) that detects an acceleration demand during the engine start determination; and a start/power generation motor (14) that starts the engine (11), wherein the start/power generation motor (14) controls the pressure in the induction system based on acceleration demand, in particular by operating a throttle valve (11a).

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